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SUBJ: DAMASCUS WATER CONSULTING SERVICES

REF: (A) DAMASCUS 946, (B) DAMASCUS 1029

1. GILBERT COMMUNWEALTH HAS TELEXED FIGEH TO REQUEST DELAY IN START OF NEGOTIATIONS UNTIL 20 MARCH, PLEADING PRIOR COMMITTMENTS OF THEIR SENIOR STAFF, AND NEED FOR ADDITIONAL TIME TO OBTAIN BEST COST DATA. FIGEH HAS CONSULTED USAID AND ACCEPTED THE 20TH, WILL NOTIFY GILBERT.

2. AID CONCURRENCE ON NEW DATE GIVEN ON BASIS THAT MORE TIME FOR GILBERT TO GATHER LOCAL COST DATA IS GOOD INVESTMENT IN THAT IT MAY REDUCE TENDENCY OF FIRM TO ADD LARGE CONTINGENCIES TO COST PROPOSAL; WILL GIVE US MORE TIME TO IRON OUT WRINKLES IN DRAFT CONTRACT; AND ALLOW FIGEH TEAM TO RETURN FROM THEIR NEGOTIATIONS WITH IBRD IN WASHINGTON.

3. DAMASCUS 1029 REQUESTED COSTELLO TDY TO BEGIN 10 MARCH. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE DEVELOPMENT, WE REQUEST COSTELLO TDY BEGIN MONDAY, 15 MARCH. NEAVE TDY SHOULD BEGIN O/A 17 MARCH. LENGTH OF TDY PERIOD FOR NEAVE REMAINS AS STATED DAMASCUS 946. ADVISE.
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